

Probably due to deregulation and consolidation, the quality of AM and FM broadcasting in the Chicago area has deteriorated. Most notable is the loss of our second to the last classical music FM station WNIB, 97.1 mhz, to rock station WDRV, owned by Bonneville International.

Although classical music may have a diminishing market, the band is filled with too many discordant rock stations; more easy listening folk, ballad, and Broadway and movie music programming is needed. Also, as an audiophile, I see that the audio quality is more compressed and even sometimes mushy and distorted on some stations; I hope this can improve. Last, but not least, the stations should employ more in-house talent, both technical and programming, instead of often being so remote controlled and automated.